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## Countdown to Haskayne...6 more weeks!

This weekly email will introduce you to some of Haskayne's team members who can help to prepare you for success in your Bachelor of Commerce. If you have any questions, please contact the Haskayne Undergraduate Student Advising team at [undergraduate@haskayne.ucalgary.ca](mailto:undergraduate@haskayne.ucalgary.ca).

Previous *Countdown to Haskayne* newsletters can be found on our [Haskayne Incoming Students](#) page.



## **MEET ERIN!**

This week we get to meet Erin Mizzoni, a Program Specialist with the Haskayne Undergraduate Programs Office who specializes in international exchange advising.

### **CAN YOU TELL US A BIT ABOUT WHAT YOU DO?**

In my role, I wear two hats primarily. The first is the Program Advising side where I meet with students regarding all matters pertaining to their degree. But I also assist in more administrative tasks pertaining to admission and graduation files. On the Exchange Advising side, I provide services for exchange students both outgoing and incoming in terms of processing admissions/applications, setting up courses and advising on same, as well as getting credit posted for our outgoing exchange once they have returned.

### **WHO IS PART OF YOUR TEAM?**

For the Program Advising side, I am one of a team of eight program advisors but in the exchange world, I work with students from the Asia-Pacific and North America regions on outgoing and incoming exchanges. My counterpart, Stacey McGregor, helps students in the Europe region both outgoing and incoming.

## **WHAT INTERESTED YOU IN WORKING WITH EXCHANGE STUDENTS?**

Having done an International Business BComm myself, the Exchange portfolio is very interesting to me. Other cultures have always held a special fascination for me, and I enjoy learning vicariously about other countries and their practices both professionally, and culturally!

## **WHAT SHOULD NEW STUDENTS KNOW ABOUT EXCHANGES WHEN STARTING IN HASKAYNE?**

The key to exchange is understanding there are two pathways to do so as a Haskayne Student, and understanding the difference between them. The [Study Abroad](#) team has more partners than we do, and you can go as early as second year. However, you may not be able to access business courses – that is you would be looking at taking your option courses. The [Haskayne Exchange Program](#) sends you usually as early as third year, and sometimes in your graduating semester, and you are expected to take at least half your courses as business (concentration) or commerce option courses. The great thing is you can go through both avenues! We work together, and just want you to have the best experience!

## **WHO SHOULD STUDENTS TALK TO IF THEY HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT EXCHANGE?**

Feel free to reach out to [undergrad.exchange@haskayne.ucalgary.ca](mailto:undergrad.exchange@haskayne.ucalgary.ca) as a starting point. We are happy to facilitate questions to start and can point you in the right direction depending on your goals!

## **CAN YOU TELL US ONE RANDOM FACT ABOUT YOURSELF?**

While I never went on exchange, I did a Work Abroad experience right after Graduation in New Zealand! Travelling is an incredible way to diversify your resume, and your personal experience and it's the BEST time to do it!

### **Stay connected!**

Make sure to keep an eye on your ucalgary email for important information about starting at the University of Calgary this September. You can also visit our [Haskayne Incoming Students](#) page where we will post helpful resources and events for incoming students. Don't forget to follow Haskayne on Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn, or tag us in your photos using #myhaskayne.

## Upcoming Events

### Fall Move-In | Sunday August 29 - Monday September 6

The University of Calgary is currently working on the move-in plans for 2021/2022 and once finalized will update the [Residence Move-In website](#). An email will be sent to all residents on August 10 with all move-in information as well.

### Fall Block Week Classes | Monday August 30 – Friday September 3

You only need to attend if you are registered in a *Block Week Course*. As a first year student, this would not apply to you but make sure to carefully check your class schedule in your [Student Centre](#).

### Fall Orientation | Thursday September 2 - Friday September 3

This is your official welcome to the University of Calgary, and is two days of events and workshops where you can meet your peers, learn about university life, and get off to the right start. Be sure to register [here](#), and make sure to check out the Online Orientation module on your [D2L page!](#)

### First Day of Regular Fall Term Classes | Tuesday September 7

Check your official start date and schedule through your [Student Centre](#). If you have any questions about your schedule, you can also contact the [New Student Registration Assistance](#) team.

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